

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Mr. DeLoach *du*

DATE: March 7, 1969

FROM : A. Rosen *RW*

SUBJECT: MURKIN

1 - Mr. DeLoach
1 - Mr. Rosen
1 - Mr. Malley
1 - Mr. McGowan
1 - Mr. Long
1 - Mr. Bishop
1 - Mr. Sullivan

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This is the case involving the murder of Martin Luther King, Jr.

Judge W. Preston Battle, Criminal Court, Memphis, Tennessee, has advised that Percy Foreman, attorney for James Earl Ray, requested permission to have Ray in court Memphis, Tennessee, at 9:30 a.m. Monday, March 10, 1969. Judge Battle expressed the opinion that Mr. Foreman desires to enter a guilty plea (state charge of murder) on Ray's behalf at that time, although, the Judge professed not to have specific information on this point. Judge Battle requested that this matter be given no publicity whatsoever.

ACTION:

This is for information. SAC, Jensen, is closely following this matter and will keep the Bureau advised.

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